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CITY AND GANG IN GRAPPLE TO DEATH

Mayor. Checkmated by Machine, Hastens to Confer with Root.

DEPOSED OFFICERS **RESUME POSITIONS**

Court Grants Temporary injunction-Ward Leaders Meet in Penrose's Office and Pledge Support to Durham-Sensational Situation in Quaker City.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 24.-The gas lease fight was carried into the courts to-day, and, in consequence, the two directors appointed by Mayor Weaver last evening, are out of office and the directors who were dismissed have again taken up the duties of their positions.

Late in the day Mayor Weaver, accompanied by former Judges James Gay Gordon, went to New York for consultation with Elihu Root, 'the mayor's special counsel. What the result of this move will be cannot be foreshadowed.

Prince of Peter E. Costello and J. Smyth, the dismissed directors, David J. Smyth, the dismissed directors, applied for a preliminary injunction against the mayor and A. Lincoln Acker and Sheldon Potter, their successors in office, restraining Messrs. Acker and Potter from assuming the duties of their respective offices and restraining the mayor and all other city employes from aiding them in carrying out such intentions. A temporary injunction was granted. The new officials were in office about two hours.

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The leaders of the organization were in conference all day and conferences were held to-night. One of the most important gatherings of the day was that held in the offlice of United States Senator Penrose, where State Insurance Commissioner Israel W. Durham, the Republican organization leader, met all the ward leaders. It was stated that all the ward leaders had assured Durham of their support.

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Mayor Weaver's action in removing Costello and Smyth, which is still the sensation of the day, was like "light-ning from a clear sky." None knew Mouday night that he contemplated anything in opposition to the political leaders who had pleced him in power. That night, however, he summoned Directors Smyth and Costello to his office and informed them that he desired their resignations.

As soon as he arrived in the City Hall yesterday, the Mayor was visited by the directors, and each handed him a letter. It was their resignations, each concluding with the announcement, "to take effect as soon as my successor shall have

on receipt of the resignations the rewrote a note to the directors deling their unconditional resignations, ler Costello er Swith could be found ome time, as they were in conferwith Durham, McNichol., Senator see and other machine bosses, er they sent lecters to the Mayor g that they would not amend their nations, and thereupon Mr. Weaver, g on advice of counsel, dismissed of them and made the new appoints.

his break with the machine leaders due to trouble over the gas works. Mayor Weaver had appealed to icils to defeat the proposed seventy-year lease, to be given to the United Improvemnt Company for \$25,000,000, according to the terms of a deal een Durham and Thomas Dolan, dent of the corporation.

Machine Checkmated.

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Ever since the administration began, two years ago, the Mayor has been brow beaten by the Durham machine. Before passing the ordinance to lease the gas works, last Thursday, Councils humiliated the Mayor by passing eight bills over his veto and ignoring his letter opposing the proposed lease.

The machine leaders defied him and Director Costello, himself a ward leader, was the agent of the machine in its effort fort to subdue the Mayor in favor of the "gangs" plans. Until yesterday the machine was confident that Weaver would bow to the demands of the leaders.

His call for the resignations of his two most important directors was a surprise even to Durham. No sooner did the news spread than ward leaders and place holders, frightened into a panic, rushed to Durham's and Penrose's offices. There the leaders were told that the only thing to do was to surrender unconditionally or fight. When Morrow's suspension was announced it was followed by a letter from the assistant director of supplies to Director Shoyer, in which Morrow declared that he would not consider himself suspended unless Director Shoyer the nate. Director Shoyer, in which Morrow declared that he would not consider himself suspended unless Director Shoyer the nate. Director Shoyer did not comply. Morrow's letter indicated the plans of the frightened machine.

As the mayor's action foretells the pressing of the Durham machine, it is expected that within the next few days there will be some violent changes in the political situation of this city, which so long has remained "corrupt and contented."

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PROBING BOOK MATTER DEEPLY

State Board of Education Hears Testimony All Day.

LAWYERS ASKED **VEXING QUESTIONS**

of Thomas and McGilvray. Strong Denials From These Gentlemen - Counsel Employed.

Board of Education, in open session, heard testimony and brief arguments in the investigation of the charges recently printed by Mr. J. D. Eggleston, Jr., o intendent of Public Instruction, wherein that gentleman had stated that the board had been "tricked" in the edition of the Virginia School Register at an exorbitan price therefor. Adjournment of the oper session was had at 6 P. M., and the board did not again take up the matter though it sat until 12:15 A. M., electing

division superintendents.
The investigation developed interesting, The investigation developed interesting, not to say sensational, facts. The first of these wars a bid from a reliable printing concern to publish the Register for eighteen cents, whereas the book is now sold for seventy-five cents, and for ninety cents with postage paid. It was further developed that the Hermitage Press, successors to the J. L. Hill Printing Company, print the publication, send it out, and collect for it for twenty-five cents per copy, and that Mr. J. P. Thomas, principal of the Richmond High School and owner of the Register, gets the difference between twenty-five and seventy-five cents on about 2.000 to 2.400 copies annually, less the discount to dealers in

Was the Board Tricked?

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stored Between Rival

Railway Interests.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 24.-Announcement

was made from an official source to-day

that a final settlement of all the diffi-

culties growing out of the old corner in

Northern Pacific Railway Company stock

had been reached, and henceforth there

FORCES JOIN HANDS

HILL AND HARRIMAN

Publisher Jenkins Testifies That Account Is Kept in the Name

Major Anderson, attorney general, stated

Register. He then read a letter from Mr. Eggleston, in which he expressed the belief that the board had been tricked in the adoption of this publication, Mr. Eggleston arose with a copy of the formal notice in the shape of a resolution of the board requesting him to appear and substantiate his charge, and, read the same, stating that he wished to say in connection with this paper, that if a man can disclaim what he has never done nor attempted to do, he disclaimed having brought any charges or imputed any improper conduct to the Board of Education not to any member of it. "My reference was rather to the Department of Public Instruction, three

GOVERNOR MONTAGUE, ATTORNEY-GENERAL ANDERSON, PROFESSOR KENT, SECRETARY BRENT,

Industrial Parliament Discusses Immigration Question and Makes Plans.

RAILROAD TO OPEN BUSINESS

Important Step Taken by Atlantic Coast Line-South Carolina Commissioner Leaves.

WASHINGTON, May 24 .- A discussion of immigration and an address by Gus Schwab, of New York, on "Forelgn Commerce and Ocean Transporta were the features of to-day's sessions of the Southern Industrial Parlia The immigration question was discussed by Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, Frank P. Sargent, of the Immigration

Permanent organization was effected by the election of Governor Robert Glenn, of North Carolina, as president, and other officers as follows: W. C. Murphy, Washington, D. C., secretary; J. P. Thaxton, Columbin, S. C., treasurer; vice-presidents—Alabama: William Richards, Huntsville; Georgia: W. O. McGowin, Hoffman; Mississippi: Henry Kernoghan, Jackson; North Carolina: R. S. Reinhart, Lincolnton; South Carolina: E. J. Watson. Columbia; Tennessee: Robert Watson. Watson, Columbia; Tennessee: Robert Gates, Nashville; Texas: Joseph Schwarts, Corsicana; Virginia: C. L. Holland; Dan-ville; Executive Committee: W. T. Brown, Washing: A. Ca.: P. J. Holliday, Washing. ville; Executive Committee: W. T. Brown, Ragland, Ga.; P. J. Holliday, Washington, Ga.; Miss M. J. McCarthy, Batesville, S. C.; J. A. Brown, Charbourn, N. C.; Albert Akers, Nashville, Tenn.; E. C. Robinson, Houston, Texas; J. S. Browning, Pocahontas, Va.; H. L. West, District of Columbia. In the absence of Governor Glenn, W. O. McGowin, of Georgia, presided.

Discuss Immigration.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, spoke on the subject of immigration. He said that as a result of the agricultural, commercial and industrial activity and expansion in the South, there was a demand for labor which could not be supplied from its own population, and that he said, had been disavantageous to the United States. The kind of labor the South needed, he said, was a debatable question. He described the system of wages in the South as being almost universally on the share plan, and advised those actually engaged in efforts to induce emigration to the South from other sections or from foreign countries to present that plan, and not be misled into a comparison of wage scales. If laborers for the present could not be gotten from this country, it was certain, he said, that with proper effort the right kind of men could be obtained abroad.

Mr. Sargent declared that thirty-two per cent. of all the immigration to Amer.

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OF A DRUSTORE SAFE

Store Partially Burned and Theft Harmony Said to Have Been Re-Not Discovered Until the Safe Is Opened.

MYSTERIOUS ROBBERY

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., May 24,-The safe in W. E. Brown's burned drug store has been robbed. How, when or by whom are equal mysteries. The matter has been kept quiet for detective purposes. The store was partially burned Sunday morning early. The proprietor was in Delaware, but the safe was apparently intact, When Brown returned, the opening of the sate revealed a loss of one hundred and twenty-six dollars. The working of the combination by an expert is suggest ed, but the loss of the money is the known fact. The fire began in the cellar, and is supposed to have been caused by

the dropping of a eigar through street grating. Whether or not there was a combined robber and incendiary is another prob-

POINTER ON THE WEATHER

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Thursday dno Friday: Virginia-

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION INVESTIGATING SUPERINTENDENT EGGLESTON'S CHARGES.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY

Richmond's weather was clear and cool.

Range of the Thermometer:
9 A. M. 60 6 P. M. 69
12 M. 66 9 P. M. 62
3 P. M. 71 12 midnight. 55

Average. C2 1-3

MINIATURE ALMANAC,
May 25, 1905.
Sun rises. 4:55 HIGH TIDE.
Sun sets. 7:18 Morning. 9:
Moon rises. 12:20 Evening. 10:

Wealthy Clubman Charged With Breach of Promise in Sensational Suit.

BIG PACKAGE OF LETTERS

Many People of Prominence Included in List of Wit-

NEW YORK, May 24-Damages aggre gating a quarter of a million dollars as ise of marriage are asked by Mrs. Kathday. Eminent counsel, scores of witnence from distant parts of the country, hundred letters, alleged by the plaintiff

figure in the case. The authenticity of the letters, upon which the sult is largely based, is denied by Brokaw's counsel.

That the case has attracted unusual attention was apparent from the appearance of the court room at the opening session of the trial. Not a seat was vacant, and among the spectators were many obviously not accustomed to court room scenes. Former Governor Black and former Judge Olcott appeared for the plaintiff in the sult, while Mr. Brokaw's chief counsel was former Assistant District Attorney McIntyre. Both the plaintiff and the defendant were in court, Mrs. Poillon accompanied by her sister and Mr. Brokaw by four friends, who came with him in a big touring automobile. Several of the letters in the case are addressed: "My dear wifeto-be."

Mrs. Poillon came from Troy, N. Y., a tow years ago, after being divorced

to-be."
Mis. Poillon came from Troy, N. Y., a few years ago, after being divorced from her first husband, Joseph P. Smith, to whom she was married in 1897, while she was still a student in a seminary. Exceptional care was exercised by the attorneys in examining talesmen regarding their qualifications to serve on the jury. When the court adjourned until to-morrow only one juror had been selected.

Meeting of Travelers.

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(By Associated Press.)

CHARLESTON, W. VA., May M.—More than 500 delegates arrived to-night to attend the district convention of the United Commercial Travelers, which will begin to-morrow and continue until Saturday. The district is composed of Maryland, Virginia, the District of Columbia, West Virginia and Kentucky.

WANTHELP TO-DAY.

The 20 advertisements for help pub-lished in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 10 are as follows: 8 Trades. 1 Domestic. 4 Office. 4 Balesmen 9 Miscellaneous.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to im-prove their positions as well.

UNION HAS BEGUN

Drs. Strickler and Daniel, of Virginia, Lead Opposition to Federation Plan.

Presbyterian University to be

Established-Sabbath Observance Report.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS, May 21.-The great debate over the question of federation is now on, and the General Assem

visitors from Dallas and neighboring towns having come especially on this account. The leaders on the side favoring towns having come especially on this account. The leaders on the side favoring the plan of federation seem to be Drs. Hemphill, Lyons, Neel and Judge Miller. Drs. Strickler and Danlel, of the Synod of Virginia, lead the opposition. The special committee of thirteen recommended co-operation. It was at once evident that this was an ambiguous word, some understinding it to include federation as one form of co-operation, while others understood it to be used purposely in the stead of that term. Dr. Danlel moved an amendment to the effect that "it is the intention of this report to exclude federation from future consideration."

The purpose in the motion is to develop the situation clearly and show that federation and not some more indefinite form of co-operation is distinctly proposed. Around this motion the debate has been raging for hours. In the course of the debate some quite keen sword play between Drs. Hemphill and Danlel occurred, but all in perfectly good humor. The feeling in the body, however, is that to-day's discussion is but pre-takes some unexpected turn.

Sabbath Observance.

question of Sabbath observance up to-day on the report of the Sabbath Committee, which deplores the existing conditions. The assembly asks that a conference of all evangelical that it controlled the fourthes be had on this question. It also took a motion disproving the reading of Sunday papers, the use of trains on Sunday and Sunday excursions, and urged It upon all Christians that they discoun-tenance such things.

The establishment of a Presbyteriar

The report of Mr. S. W. Somerville, of Fredericksburg, Va., on the Home and School, of which he is superintendent, was received with great gratification on the part of the Assembly. This, noble institution is winning its way more and more into the favor of the church, as it is seen to be a good foundation, and as it becomes evident that its benefits are for the entire church. Speeches of warm commendation were made, not only by Virginia commissioners, but by others from more remote States.

The report on women's societies makes a splendid showing in numbers, 1,105 societies, 24,160 members. Total of contri-

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Captain Willard Discusses His Platform as to Labor.

DISCUSSION LONG AND SHARP SHOULD BE FOR PUBLIC GOOD

Draws Comparison and Says Private Parties Should Not Get Results.

Captain Joseph E. Willard returned to the city yesterday, and expressed him-self as much pleased with his reception Said he, "I in nowise concede the

Southwest to my opponents."
"You seem to have made an impres sion on the people of Tazewell by your

argument on convict must.

suggest anything new?" inquired the reporter of The Times-Dispatch.
"I spoke in line with the policy of my letter of announcement. I reiterated my bind public school books, formulated by o make shoes for a private corporation competition with other corporations in properties of the proper

An Absurd Conclusion.

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"I used the above comparison solely as an argument against the present use of convict labor in the shoe trade. Being opposed to the use of convict labor, even in the shoe trade, it would have been absurd to advocate a more extended use of them in the book trade.

"I am opposed to the renewal of the Davis shoe contract, or the making of any similar contract.

any similar contract.
"I have advocated and shall continue

to advocate the working of convicts on the public roads, where they come in the least possible competition with honest labor, and where their labor is for the penefit of the Commonwealth and not

Explosion in Fireworks Plant.

(By Associated Press.),
ROCKLAND, MASS., May 24,—Ten one-ROCKLAND, MASS., May 24.—Ten onestory wooden buildings of the National
Fire Works Company's plant of sixty
similar structures at West Hanover, were
destroyed this afternoon by an explosion in the "mixing room." Of the hundred persons employed at the plant only
one man, Arthur Cate, was severely but
not fatally injured, while four girls were
slightly injured by being thrown to the
ground by the shock of the explosion.
The plant had a similar explosion about
two years ago.

CALL ON PRESIDENT PARKHURST-REID MARRIAGE ANNULLED

Prince and Princess Win Famous Case,

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, May 24.—Pope Plus X., has approved the decision of the congregation of the Propaganda to annul the marriage of Marie Jennings Reid, of New Orleans and Washington, D. C. (wao is now Princess Joseph Rospiglioso) to Colonel F. H. Parkhurst, of Bangor, Me. The decision of the Pope will now permit the Prince and Princess Rospiglioso to contract a religious marriage.

W. J. BRYAN IN PROBATE COURT

(By Associated Press.)

NEW HAVEN, CONN., May 24.—Wm.
J. Bryan appeared in the Probate Court
here to-day at a hearing on the accounts
of the estate of the late Philo B. Hennett, of which Mr. Bryan is administrator, During the examination, Mr. Bryan
submitted to a rapid fire of question
from Judge Henry Stoddard, counsel for
Mrs. Grace I. Bennett, the widow, and
at times considerable impatience was
manifested by both the questioner and
the witness.

IN EQUITABLE FIGHT

Pope Approves Decision and Efforts Being Made to Have Government Take Hand in Company's Affairs.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, May 24.-An effort was

made to-day to induce President Roose velt to take an active interest in the complications which have arisen in the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. Clarence Whitman, president of the Merchants' Association of New York. had a conference with the President on the subject. Details of the conference were not cotainable, but it is known that Mr. Whitman urged the President to take up the subject, with a view either to ordering a government investigation or to making recommendations to Congress on the subject of insurance legislation It can be said that, up to this time, clear to the taking of any action in the case of the Equitable Company specifi-

JAPANESE FLEET DEFEATED, SAYS MANILIA REPORT

Unconfirmed Rumor that Naval Battle Has Been Fought.

MEETING OCCURRED SOUTH OF FORMOSA

Story Gives No Particulars Beyond Statement of Fight and Result.

ARMIES IN MANCHURIA PREPARING TO GRAPPLE

Rival Commanders Keeping Close Watch on Each Other and Situation Is Very Tense-Governor of Baku Assassinated and Two Others Killed by Bomb.

MANILA, May 25.—There is in unconfirmed rumor that the Russian and Japanese fleets have met south of Formosa and that the Japanese were defeated.

NO NEWS THERE.

St. Petersburg Believes Rojestvensky Is Now in Pacific Oceon.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 24-11 P. M .sumed that Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's northward and giving the Pescadores, berth, in order to minimize the danger before he left the coast of French

SITUATION TENSE.

(By Associated Press.)

... GUNSHU PASS, May 24.—The situation is very tense. The rival commandbut there has been no decisive move yet on the part of Field Marshal Oyama. Lloutenant-General Rennenkempf made a bold reconnaissance at the cost of several hundred casualties, but the corresponent of the Associatel Press is not allowed to telegraph the results obtaine. It is possible that it was Rennenkempf's cavalry, which penetrated southwest of Fako-man.

ST. PETPERSBURG, May 24.—General Linevitch, under date of May 23d, reports that a Russian detachment successfully attacked the Japanese trenches on the heights north of the station of Changtufu May 21st, forcing the Japanese to evacute their tranches.

In response to inquiries as to In response to inquiries as to the truis of the report that the Japanese have cut the railroad to Viadivostok, the authorities have received replies from Harbin, saying that both the railroad and the telegraph lines to Viadivostok were working, and the Associated Press was authorized to deny the report of the isolation of the fortress.

(By Associated Press.) CHANCHAVIDZE, MANCHURIA, May 24.—The Japanese commenced an advance near Shahedze. At the same time the Russians advanced and seized the villages of Shachzou and Synosiduzhou in the center, the Japanese retiring to the fur-their banks of the Kooche and Gortz Rivers. There has been no serious fighting yt. The Russians are making daily re-

PRINCE ASSASSINATED.

BAKU, CAUCASIA, May 24.—The governor of Baku, Prince Nakachidze, was assassinated at 3 P. M. to-day by a bomb, which was thrown at his carriage. A licutenant, who was accompanying the governor, and a bystander were also killed by the explosion, and the coachman is believed to have been fatally injured.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, May 25-2:40 A.

M.—Though no details of the assassination of Prince Nakachidze have been received, the impression here is that the
outrage was the work of the Armenian
revolutionary committee in revenge for
the attitude taken by the prince during
the racial war between Armenians and
Tartars in February last, and is not attributable to the Russian terrorists, even
though the latter are at present extremely active in many parts of the empire.
The Armenians laid the responsibility
for the deaths of those slain in February
ary at the door of Prince Nakachidze.

(By Associated Press.)

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WARSAW, May 24.—Four persons were killed and thirty wounded in a fight here to-night between Jewish workmen and the Jewish keepers of disorderly houses. Both sides used knives. The dead and wounded were terribly mutiliated. The quarrel is said to have originated at a wedding, which took place to-day.